

E-HAPPENINGS

WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE

September 2011

NEWS AND EVENTS



Carson Tahoe Healthcare Donation to Benefit Nursing Students

Carson Tahoe Regional Healthcare has donated \$80,000 to WNC to provide immediate support to its nursing program. The gift allows the college to hire another nursing instructor and accept eight more students into the two-year program. The nursing program is now able to enroll a total of 100 students this fall, with 56 students in the first year and 44 in the

second year of the rigorous program. In recognition of the gift, WNC will name its nursing lab where students learn about pediatrics, obstetrics and phlebotomy in honor of Carson Tahoe Regional Healthcare. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-08-31a.php>

Observatory Receives Space Shuttle Tile

The college has received an authentic thermal protection tile from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's space shuttle program. The tile is one of the thousands of tiles that covered the space shuttles, which traveled to space over the past three decades. The piece can be viewed at the Jack C. Davis Observatory. At right, Observatory Director Robert Collier, left, and Vice President Dan Neverett display the tile.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-08-30b.php>



Latino 'Cohort' Welcomes New Students

WNC welcomed the second Latino student cohort and their parents to campus in August, in an effort to elevate the student experience and enhance the process of earning a college degree. Through advising and mentoring, students in the cohort are better prepared to complete their college degrees in a timely manner.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-08-31b.php>



Specialty Crop Institute Offers Farm Business Workshop

The Western Nevada College Specialty Crop Institute will offer a QuickBooks workshop to help small farm owners learn accounting fundamentals. *QuickBooks Accounting for the Small Farm* meets Friday-Saturday, Oct. 7-8, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., at WNC Fallon, 160 Campus Way. Cost is \$85 when registering before Friday, Sept. 30, and \$95 after Sept. 30. Lunch is included. Space is limited, and early enrollment is encouraged.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-09-01a.php>



Conference Aims to Create Awareness of Science in Nevada

The Nevada System of Higher Education, the National Science Foundation and Nevada EPSCoR (Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research) have teamed up to present *Becoming the Messenger-Communicating Science to a Non-Technical Audience*. The free conference is intended to bridge the gap that exists between research outcomes and public awareness of these outcomes. Researchers, scientists, undergraduate and graduate students, public information officers and journalists are invited to attend. The conference is Thursday-Friday, Sept. 22-23, at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas-Student Union and the Greenspun School of Journalism and Media studies. For information, <http://www.nevada.edu/epscor/cs/>

IN THE ARTS

Meet Artists for "Burning Man" and "Perididdle"

Don't miss the chance to meet the artists of the WNC Carson City Galleries' two exhibits, "The Culture of Burning Man" and "Mostly Perididdle: a look around," Thursday, Sept. 15, 5-6:30 p.m. in the WNC Carson City galleries. More information:

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-05-27b.php>

Mostly Perididdle: a look around - <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-05-26a.php>



Phantom of the Opera Takes the Stage this Fall

The Western Nevada Musical Theatre Company will present Andrew Lloyd Webber's masterpiece, *Phantom of the Opera*, weekends, November 4-20, at the Carson City Community Center.

The show is the longest running production in Broadway history and is making its northern Nevada premiere in Carson City. "It will be, by far, the most vocally and technically demanding show we have ever produced," said Producer Stephanie Arrigotti.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-06-16a.php>

ATHLETICS

Wildcats Begin Preseason Scrimmages

The Wildcats baseball team is on the field as well as in class, and the schedule of fall scrimmages is already in place. Take in a scrimmage game and see the Wildcats in action as they prepare for the spring season.

<http://www.wnc.edu/athletics/baseball/2012/schedule/scrimmage.php>

WNC softball student athletes also wasted no time getting back into the swing of things. The ladies have been spotted training on campus and their scrimmage season starts Saturday, Sept. 10, at the University of Nevada, Reno.

<http://www.wnc.edu/athletics/softball/2012/schedule/scrimmage.php>

COLLEGE CORNER

New Bristlecone Building Generator "Falls" into Place

A newly installed generator on the north side of the Bristlecone Building at WNC Carson City will provide back-up power to the college's IT rooms and prevent the college system from sustaining detrimental system losses during an extended electrical outage.



Bookstore News – E-books Make the Grade

E-books are on the rise as students head back to class, according to Robert Swanson, WNC bookstores manager. "It reflects the growing acceptance of the format, as well as the improvements that have been made in the format," he said. "With some e-books offering links to video, audio and interactive content, we expect that the sales will continue to increase as the consumer finds them to be a better value." The bookstore also features a "Must have that STASH" promotion through Friday, Sept. 30. Customers will receive a playing card that enters them into a drawing to win \$1000, an HP Touchpad, or other prizes.

<https://www.bkstr.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/StoreCatalogDisplay?catalogId=10001&langId=-1&storeId=11034&demoKey=d>

College Recognizes Constitution Day

Western will join colleges around the country in celebrating the U.S. Constitution. Constitution Day is Saturday, Sept. 17, marking the day the document was signed in 1897. The original Constitution can be seen at the National Archives in Washington, DC.

<http://www.archives.gov/education/lessons/constitution-day/>
http://constitutioncenter.org/ncc_progs_Constitution_Day.aspx

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, Sept. 10: Star Party and Lecture, *Mysteries: Galactic Filaments and Dark Flow*. Davis Observatory, WNC Carson. Doors open 6:30 p.m., lecture 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 16: 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. Moodle Training session for faculty and staff. WNC Carson City, Cedar 331D

Saturday, Sept. 17: Star Party and Lecture, *Flash Gordon, Spaceman*. Jack C. Davis Observatory, WNC Carson City, Doors open at 6:30 p.m., lecture at 7 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 2: "Race for the Cure" at Boomtown in Reno. Join the WNC team led by WNC student nurses, alumni, and friends. Info: Catherine Fuller: 445-3248